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Hidetoshi Kinoshita

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MINIMIZING ELECTRICAL NOISE

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENTCommissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed January 12, 2004 (Paper No. 4), Applicant hereby provisionally elects claims 1-5 for continued examination.

The Examiner has required restriction between claims 1-5, drawn to a transducer that operates both to convert acoustic vibrations to electrical signals and to convert electrical signals to acoustical vibrations and claims 6-9, drawn to a microphone circuit having a desired-signal channel and a noise channel and subtracting a signal of the noise channel from the signal of the desired-signal channel to eliminate noise therefrom.

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Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 22-0185, under Order No. 20402-00594-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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